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Interview Summary

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Nadia Khoshnoodi

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 11 October 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 14 and 18.

Identification of prior art discussed: Wiegel, US Patent No. 6,484,261.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Attorney of Record (Donna Mason) discussed arguments/amendments filed 9/27/2007 which were entered with a Request for Continued Examination. Examiner has briefly reviewed the amendments as well as arguments. The amendments seem to overcome Wiegel since they more specifically/clearly define the scope of the claim. Examiner will conduct a search and issue a non-final office action in order to treat the new changes to the claims on their merits.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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